



Tempe Public Art



Laurie Lundquist & Rebecca Ross

Hedgerow, 2016

Powder coated steel and
concrete block

Location: Broadway Road
between Mill Avenue & Rural Road

Artist Website:

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Photo: Rebecca Ross

Description: The Broadway Road Streetscape public art, Hedgerow, pays homage to the hedge of sour orange trees that once lined the north side of the Broadway between Mill Avenue and Rural Road. The privacy wall that has taken their place has been cleverly enhanced to create the sense of a hedge of orange trees. Within the privacy wall setbacks are 123 steel "tree profiles" and 1,250 square "pixels" in various hues of green and orange, recalling the orange trees that had previously served as a natural divider. Shadow effects are created by the sun during the day and streetlights at night, creating continually evolving visual interest. The artists were also able to enhance the aesthetic experience of the adjacent block wall by incorporating specific block patterns in its design. Continuing the orange tree motif, Morse Code patterns spell out "orange trees" and "blossoms" in repeated sections.

Artist biography: Laurie Lundquist is a public artist with a deep interest in natural systems and geography. She aspires to design places or circumstances that will trigger a sense of connection to our surroundings. Lundquist received a Master of Fine Arts in Sculpture from Arizona State University, and often collaborates with architects, engineers and planners on the integration of art into the overall design of public projects.

Rebecca Ross has received numerous awards for her photography including a Visual Arts Fellowship and Artist Project Grant from the Arizona Commission on the Arts and public art commissions for the cities of Phoenix, Tempe, and Scottsdale. Ross was selected 2002 Artist Educator of the Year by the Scottsdale Cultural Council for her work with disadvantaged youth.

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